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1. CONTACT GROUP BEGAN PARA BY PARA REVIEWS OF UNAGREED
PROVISION OF CHARTER WITHOUT RESULT.

2. PROVISIONS IN THE PREAMBLE, THE "PRINCIPLES" SECTION
AND CHAPTER II WHICH INVOLVE NON-DISCRIMINATION
IN TRADE REMAIN UNRESOLVED BECAUSE OF FIRM EC AND
GROUP D POSITIONS.

3. PRINCIPLES" RELATING TO "REMEDYING INJUSTICES"
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PUT TO SIDE PENDING DECISION ON WHAT SUBJECTS, IF ANY,

TO ASK UNGA TO DISPOSE OF (SEE SEPTTEL).

4. DISCUSSION OF PARA 2 DESCRIBED REFTTEL.

5. BRAZIL AND ARGENTINA HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO RESOLVE DIFFERENCES ON PROVISION RELATING TO EXPLOITATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES HELD IN COMMON (PARA 3).

6. DISCUSSION ON PRODUCERS CARTELS AND COMMODITY AGREEMENT PROVISIONS WAS INCONCLUSIVE; THESE MAY BE AMONG SUBJECTS THAT WILL BE PUT FOR UNGA PROCEDURAL DISPOSITION. EC MAINTAINED STRONGLY THAT IT WANTED A PROVISION ON STATES ENDEAVORING TO MAINTAIN A NORMAL SUPPLY OF RAW MATERIALS AT EQUITABLE PRICES, AND INDICATED THAT ACCEPTABILITY OF CHARTER WOULD BE CONDITIONED ON INCLUSION OF SUCH A PROVISION. AUSTRALIA (TEESE) NOTED (A) THERE WOULD HAVE TO BE COMPLEMENTARY OBLIGATIONS RE ACCESS, AND (B) A PROVISION SHOULD LIMIT TARIFF BARRIERS IMPOSED BY CONSUMING COUNTRIES AGAINST PROCESSED EXPORTS FROM RAW MATERIAL SUPPLIERS. BACKED BY CANADA, HE ALSO WANTED SUPPLY PROVISION TO COVER AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS IN ADDITION TO RAW MATERIALS. CHINA AND SOME OF 77 DEMANDED A TEXT UNEQUIVOCALLY APPROVING PRODUCERS ASSOCIATIONS. USDEL TOOK POSITION THAT NO SUCH PROVISION COULD BE IN CHARTER.

7. GROUP D STOOD FAST IN OPPOSITION TO A PROVISION APPLYING THE CHARTER TO GROUPINGS OF STATES, RATHER THAN INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS, WHEN MEMBERS HAVE ALLOCATED COMPETENCE TO THE GROUPING, I.E., THE EC. THIS TOO WILL LIKELY GO INTO THE UNGA GRAB-BAG.

8. THE OUTLOOK IS SIMILAR FOR AN EC PROVISION ON MAINTAINING A BALANCE BETWEEN RAW MATERIAL PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS, OR A CANADIAN PROPOSAL RESPECTING PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS.

10. PARAGRAPH ON GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT WAS SUPPORTED BY GROUP D AND RESISTED BY CHINA.

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11. CURRENT OUTLOOK IS THAT CONTACT GROUP WILL MEET THROUGH SEPT 7, EITHER ADJOURNING OR CARRYING ON THROUGH SEPT 9. CASTANEDA WILL REPORT TO TDB EITHER SEPT 9 OR 10.

12. MARTIN (UNCTAD SECRETARIAT) HAS EXPRESSED DISPLEASURE WITH THEME SOUNDED BY GONZALES GALVEZ AT OPENING OF CONTACT GROUP THAT UNRESOLVED PROBLEMS

SHOULD BE DISPOSED OF BY VOTE AT IMPENDING SESSION
UNGA. UNCTAD SECRETARIAT BELIEVES THAT A VOTE WOULD
RENDER CHARTER USELESS AND THAT UNCTAD'S INVESTMENT IN
THE CHARTER WOULD SUFFER ACCORDINGLY. MARTIN THINKS
MEXICANS WOULD BE WELL ADVISED TO HAVE A FIFTH SESSION
OF WORKING GROUP, PROBABLY IN JANUARY 1975 AND HAS SOUND-
3\$ MONTGOMERY (CANADA) ABOUT HIS PROPOSING SUCH. WE
HAVE NOT DISCOURAGED MARTIN. WE HAVE SAID THAT WE ARE
PREPARED TO VOTE IN GA BUT CERTAINLY ARE AGREEABLE TO
MAKING FURTHER EFFORTS IN A FIFTH SESSION OF
WORKING GROUP. DALE

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